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LETTER DATED 16 SEPTEMBER 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit two notes verbales with attachments, dated 24 May 1991, from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington to the Embassy of Algeria, which were originally notes addressed by the Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Embassy of Switzerland (Interests Section of the United States of America) in Tehran, to be forwarded to the United States Department of State, regarding the violation of the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran by the forces of the United States and allied forces in the Persian Gulf region.

(Signed) Kamal KHARRAZI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex I

The Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington presents its compliments to the Embassy of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria and has the honour to quote the attached messages in two copies, the original text and an unofficial translation received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran. It is respectfully requested that the original text of the messages be transmitted to the United States Department of State and our office be informed of their response.

Enclosure

The Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran presents its compliments to the Embassy of Switzerland (Interests Section of the United States of America) and has the honour to inform the Embassy that, according to the information received, United States Army and multinational forces have attacked the Islamic Republic of Iran's territory by firing missiles and bombs as follows:

1. In the last week of January 1991, a United States warship positioned in the Persian Gulf fired two rockets towards southern Abadan.

2. On 26 January 1991 at 1330 hours, one Tomahawk missile hit an area 15 to 25 kilometres south of the city of Dezful.

3. On 29 January 1991, at 1925 hours, a United States war plane fired four rockets and hit the eastern bank of the Bahmanshir River and west of Abu Shanak road.

4. On 28 January 1991 at 1930 hours, four rockets, within a distance of 40 metres of each other, hit the agricultural land of the village of Tangeh Yek, 25 kilometres south of the city of Abadan.

5. A multinational force missile hit the extremities of the villages of Hajieh and Foladvand, 8 kilometres south of Susanguerd.

6. On 29 January 1991 at 1245 hours a missile hit the vicinity of Maroon in Aghajari.

7. On 22 January 1991 at about 2140 hours two rounds of fire hit the Alishir area (on both sides of Polbesat) and also two missiles were fired from a multinational war plane towards the territorial airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran, north-west to south-east (close to Arvand Rud).

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, by emphasizing its renewed neutral position in the current Persian Gulf hostilities, once again protests this aggression and strongly demands that it not be repeated. It is evident that the United States Government will directly be held accountable for the consequences of these unlawful and aggressive measures.

Therefore it would be appreciated if the Embassy would inform the United States officials of the Islamic Republic of Iran's protests.

Wishing the victory of the oppressed over the oppressors.

Annex II

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Enclosure

The Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran presents its compliments to the Embassy of Switzerland (Interests Section of the United States of America) and has the honour to inform the Embassy that, according to the information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on 14 February 1991 at 1820 hours, a United States helicopter, after violating the territorial sea airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran in the north-eastern part of the Persian Gulf region, attacked and chased sea-patrolling boats from a distance of four miles from the mouth of the Bahmanshir River and one fifth of a mile north of Alaniieh until half a mile from the mouth of the said river, firing missiles and shots at them while they were on routine trafficking (patrols).

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, while emphasizing its renewed neutral position in the current Persian Gulf hostilities, severely protests this aggression which is an indisputable violation of its neutrality and territorial integrity, and strongly demands that this provocative measure be stopped at once. The United States Government will be held fully accountable for the consequences of this aggressive and illegal action.

Wishing the victory of the oppressed over the oppressors.